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TO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, TZ, US

SUBJECT: KAMBONA LETTER TO SECRETARY

REF: DAR 2249

1. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH REFTEL THAT LITTLE TO BE GAINED
BY CORRESPONDING WITH OPPONENT OF TANGOV, AND WE ARE ALSO
AWARE OF POTENTIAL DANGERS FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH TAN-
GOV IN ANY SUCH CONTACT WITH KAMBONA.

2. WE BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS
INVOLVED HERE SHOULD BE SURFACED WITH TANGOV ITSELF.
EMBASSY COULD CONTACT FOREIGN OFFICE AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL
TO PASS ALONG THE INFORMATION THAT KAMBONA HAS WRITTEN
DIRECTLY TO THE SECRETARY REGARDING THE DETENTION OF HIS
RELATIVES AND OTHER POLITICAL PRISONERS. YOU MIGHT STATE
THAT WE DO NOT INTEND TO ANSWER THE LETTER BUT WOULD BE
INTERESTED IN THE TANGOV'S SIDE OF THE STORY, MAKING CLEAR
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THAT OUR REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT
WOULD BE ALONG THE LINES OF OUR INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS
IN ALL NATIONS.

3. AT THE SAME TIME YOU MIGHT EXPRESS OUR CONCERN THAT
THE KAMBONA ALLEGATIONS COULD RECEIVE SOME UNFAVORABLE

PUBLICITY DURING THE TIME OF PRESIDENT NYERERE'S VISIT
HERE AND STATE THAT WE WOULD LIKE THE TANGOV TO BE AWARE
OF THAT POSSIBILITY WELL AHEAD OF TIME. INTEREST IN
HUMAN RIGHTS IS VERY HIGH IN THE US THESE DAYS, AND OUR
MEDIA WOULD LIKELY BE EXAMINING CONDITIONS IN
TANZANIA DURING THE VISIT. THEREFORE, WE HOPED TO GIVE
THE TANGOV SOME ADVANCE WARNING ON THIS POTENTIALLY
TROUBLESOME ISSUE AS WELL AS TO ALLOW IT TO COUNTER THE
ALLEGATIONS IF THEY ARE UNFOUNDED.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FOREGOING. VANCE

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